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In re Application of

Rainer HELLENBRANDT

Serial No.: 09/991,856

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For: ROTATING SHEARING DEVICE AND  
METHOD FOR SEPARATING THE FRONT  
CROP AND REAR CROP FROM RUNNING  
ROLLING STOCK

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 11, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.